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Marietta's Water Conservation Success Depends on You

Marietta Water has made tremendous progress in reducing the amount of water we use, and we need your help to ensure that the success continues.

"All categories of customers have reduced the amount of water they use since the state set tighter limits on the amount of water Marietta Water can purchase as part of Georgia's drought response plan," said Tom Jones, acting director of Marietta Water. "But we still need to do more."

After analyzing the amount of water that Marietta Water purchased during the winter of 2006-2007, state regulatory authorities reduced the amount of water the utility can purchase to 7.796 million gallons per day. That total represents a 10 percent state-mandated reduction of the amount of water that Marietta Water purchased at the same time last year.


"A 10 percent reduction in water use is a first step, and we will continue to evaluate

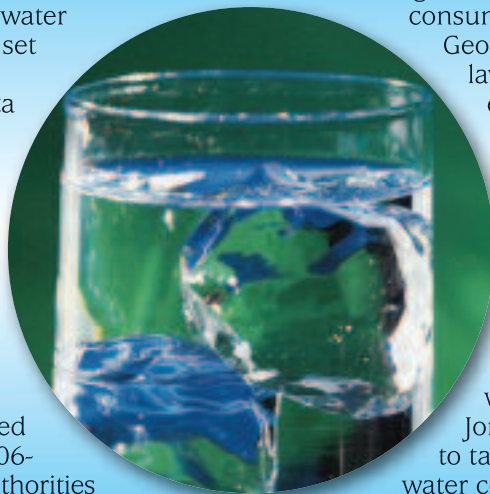
our drought response and encourage additional conservation as needed," Governor Sonny Perdue said when he directed the EPD to issue the rules that mandated utilities in drought-affected areas to cut water consumption. "I encourage all

Georgians to make their dry lawns and dirty cars a badge of honor. By making individual conservation efforts, along with reasonable solutions from our federal government, we can collectively help to ensure that our water supply is sufficient."

To ensure that Marietta Water remains within the required level, Jones encourages customers to take advantage of the many water conservation tools that Marietta Water has available.

"Our web site has plenty of tips on conserving water and links to many other resources," Jones said.

Marietta Water customers can access these online conservation resources by clicking the "Water Conservation" link at www.mariettawater.com. 



MARIETTA POWER AND WATER SAVES YOU TIME AND MONEY WITH ONLINE PAYMENT AND PAY-BY-PHONE OPTIONS

Marietta Power and Water's online payment and pay-by-phone systems give you the power to spend more time and money on things other than paying your utility bills.

Both of these systems make it easy to pay your bills from the comfort of your home or office anytime, day or night. No checks. No stamps. No envelopes. No extra trips to the mailbox.

If you have internet access, simply visit mariettapower.com or mariettawater.com and click the "Online Payments" link. A new screen will then appear and offer you a "GET PIN" option for registration for online

services. (If you have used the system before, you can simply log in from this screen.) To register and assign your PIN, you will need to enter your account number and your cycle and route number exactly as they appear on your utility bill.

After completing this simple set-up process, you can log into our



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Online Payment System anytime. In addition to paying bills, you can view your electric and water consumption in chart form, you can also view billing amounts, and payments – as far back as three years if you’d like.

If you don’t have internet access, you can still manage your account anytime from anywhere using Marietta Power and Water’s Pay-By-Phone option. Simply call the main number at (770) 794-5150 and select the payment option from the list of menu choices. Then simply follow the prompts and enter your account number and the credit card number that you wish to use to pay your bill. The system will accept VISA, MasterCard, Discover, and American

Express for payment. When you finish, the system will immediately process your payment and provide you with a confirmation number. You will also have easy access to detailed account information including your account balance, consumption history and last meter reading.

So stop wasting your time and money on writing checks, stuffing envelopes, buying stamps, and running back and forth to the post office. Put Marietta Power and Water’s Online Payment System or Pay-By-Phone option to work for you this month – and start looking for more enjoyable ways to spend the time and money you save. ⚡

MARIETTA CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY PROVIDES INSIDE LOOK AT LIFE BEHIND THE BADGE

If you ever wanted to learn more about the life of a law enforcement officer, the Marietta Police Department’s Citizens Police Academy will provide you with a superb opportunity this spring.

The academy gets under way on March 3 and will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. every Monday until April 28. During these sessions, academy participants will learn more about crime analysis, narcotics, special weapons

and tactics (SWAT), crime interdiction unit, detectives, traffic enforcement, community response unit, crime scene processing, and other topics related to police work.

If you would like to participate in the 2008 Citizens Police Academy, please call Officer Josh Liedke at (770) 794-2361. Spaces fill quickly, so apply as soon as possible. Applicants must also pass a background before they can participate. ⚡

Free Tours of Brumby Hall Offer Residents and Visitors a Glimpse of Marietta’s Past

Volunteers from The Friends of Brumby Hall offer free tours of the 1851 home on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Although there is no admission fee, donations to help maintain the historic house are always welcome. Please contact the

Marietta Conference Center and Resort at (770) 427-2500 to make reservations for groups of 10 or more. Individuals or groups of less than 10 people can just knock on the door. ⚡

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 8 and 9
The Georgia Ballet Presents La Sylphide
Cobb County Civic Center
Marietta
Sat. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m.
Tickets: \$25 to \$32. In this poetic and beautiful tale, love and loyalty are countered with deception and trickery.
Call (770) 528-0881 or visit www.georgiaballet.org for information.

Saturday, March 15
Easter Egg Hunt
Laurel Park
Marietta
11 a.m.
Free. Children hunt for eggs and candy.
Call (770) 794-5601 or visit www.mariettaga.gov for information.

Sunday, April 27
Taste Of Marietta
Historic Marietta Square
11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Over 40 restaurants selling their tastiest tastes!
Call (770) 429-1115 or visit www.tasteofmarietta.com for information.

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